IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE Attorney Docket No. 12640US01

IN THE APPLICATION OF:

Robert Carey Greg McIntire

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For:

METHOD OF SELECTING

SECURITIES FOR A PORTFOLIO

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PETITION FOR A TWO MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Asst. Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a two month extension of time in which to respond to the Advisory Action mailed on February 16, 2000. With this two month extension, applicant's response is due by June 16, 2000. The requisite extension fee of \$190.00 accompanies this petition.

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May 18, 2000

Respectfully submitted,

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